

Minutes Tempe Fire and Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Boards Joint Meeting September 6, 2018

Minutes of the Tempe Fire and Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Boards joint meeting, held on Thursday, September 6, 2018, 2:00 p.m., Tempe City Hall, third floor conference room, 31 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

Board Members Present:

Steven Methvin
Rob Ferraro
Bill Goodman
Don Jongewaard (via telephone)
Bill Munch

Board Members Absent:

Alex Moreno
Mike Scheidt

City Staff Present:

Renie Broderick, Internal Services Director
Wendy Messina, HR Analyst
Susan Buck, Executive Assistant

Legal Counsel Present:

David Niederdeppe

Chair Steven Methvin called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

ITEM I – Public Appearances:

There were no public appearances.

ITEM II – Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session:

No Executive Session was held. (Bill Goodman joined the meeting at 2:09 p.m.)

ITEM III – Local Board Procedures and Tier 3 New Hires:

Board Legal Counsel David Niederdeppe noted that the State statute change in 2017 opened up a defined contribution plan and established both disability benefits and death/survivors benefits under that plan. The Local Board has the responsibility of making the determinations on those claims; however, the current Tempe Local Board Procedures do not address the possibility of those benefits. The Boards generally discussed the likelihood of such claims and the options for amending the procedures. Consensus of all Boardmembers present was to have staff work with Board Legal Counsel to amend the procedures and bring the draft revision back to the Board for review.

ITEM IV – Arizona House Bill 2065 – Revisions to Arizona Open Meeting Law:

Local Board Secretary Renie Broderick stated that the Tempe City Clerk notified staff of recent changes to the Arizona Open Meeting Law as a result of the recent adoption of House Bill 2065 and that information was shared with the Board in their meeting packet. Ms. Broderick noted that as a result of HB2065, instead of just including a summary or count of voting on motions in meeting minutes, staff will need to note how each individual member votes. Mr. Niederdeppe stated the law also further addresses the kind of email messages and communications that are considered a "meeting", as well as the penalties for someone violating Open Meeting Law. The Board generally discussed the changes to the law.

ITEM V – PSPRS Newsletter FY 2019 1st Quarter:

Ms. Broderick noted that the newsletter was included in the Board meeting packet. There was no further discussion on this item.

Item VI – Upcoming PSPRS Local Board & Employer Training:

Ms. Broderick stated the PSPRS will be hosting an all-day local board & employer training workshop on December 4, 2018 at the Black Canyon Conference Center in Phoenix. Once notified of the agenda, staff will send an email to the Board; since there is a registration fee, staff will take care of the registration for any boardmember wishing to attend.

Item VII – City of Tempe Annual Board & Commission Reports:

Ms. Broderick noted that the City of Tempe requires an annual report from each board or commission. In previous years, staff submitted the draft reports to the Board for review and approval before submitting them to the City Clerk's Office. However, recent direction from the Clerk's Office indicates that since the Fire & Police PSPRS Boards are only required to submit an abbreviated report, it is not necessary for the Boards to approve them before submittal. Ms. Broderick clarified that the information submitted on the report consists of basic information such as membership, the number of meetings held and boardmember attendance. Consensus of all members present was that there was no need for the Boards to review or approve the reports.

Item VIII - Future Agenda Items:

There were no future agenda items.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Bill Munch; second by Bill Goodman. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Methvin, Boardmembers Ferraro, Goodman, Jongewaard and Munch

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmembers Moreno and Scheidt

The meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.



Renie Broderick
Local Board Secretary